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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/942,893
Applicant(s): Hironori SUMITOMO and Noriyuki OSIKU
For: IMAGE TAKING APPARATUS
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Customer No.: 24367
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Group Art Unit: 2615
Examiner: Yogesh K. Aggarwal

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2006, which provides for a response period ending June 13, 2006.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: